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<b>Re:</b>	Hiroshi MASE et al.	<b>CC:</b>	

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**Comments:** Pursuant to our telephone conversation, attached is a courtesy copy of the Amendment filed November 21, 2003 along with a copy of the post card receipt for the above-identified application.

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 DOCKET NO.: 1155-2647 PCAS/US#  
 APPLICANT(S): MASE et al.  
 APPL. NO.: 10209640 FILED: 12/14/01  
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☐ Utility ☐ Design ☐ CIP ☐ PCT ☐ Provisional  
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Applicant: Hiroshi MASE et al. Conf.: 9733  
 Appl. No.: 10/009,640 Group: 1752  
 Filed: December 14, 2001 Examiner: Gilliam  
 For: LITHOGRAPHIC PRINTING PLATE

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Commissioner for Patents  
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November 21, 2003

Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an amendment in the above-identified application.

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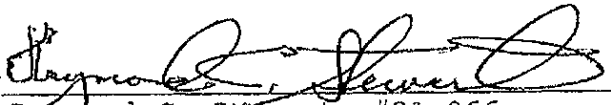
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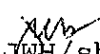
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Respectfully submitted,

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AMENDMENT

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November 21, 2003

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 17, 2003, the period for response having been extended two months to expire on November 23, 2003, the following amendments and remarks are respectfully submitted in connection with the above-identified application.

Editorial revisions are made in the specification.

Claims 1, 4, 6-8, 11, and 13-14 are cancelled.

Claims 2, 3, 9, 10, 15, 16, 20, 25 and 27 are amended.